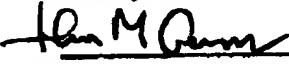


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**REQUEST FOR WITHDRAWAL OF APPLICATION FROM ISSUE
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.313(a)**

Sir:

1. Applicants hereby request to withdraw the referenced application from issue pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.313(a) for consideration of an Amendment transmitted herewith. A Request for

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Continued Examination ("RCE") under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 is transmitted concurrently with this request.

2. The referenced application is a utility application that is complete as defined by 37 C.F.R. §1.51(b). A Notice of Allowance was mailed March 17, 2003. The Issue Fee has not been paid.

3. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.313(a), a Petition to withdraw the application from issue is not required as the Issue Fee has not been paid and an RCB under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is being filed herewith.

4. In connection with Applicant's Request for Continued Examination pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.114, the following documents are concurrently submitted herewith:

- PTO/SB/30- RCE Transmittal; and
- Amendment.

5. Authorization is hereby given to charge Deposit Account No. 23-1703 for any fee which may be due in connection with this communication.

Favorable consideration of this request is respectfully requested.

Dated: 27 March 2003

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